

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending in the application. In the Office Action of September 21, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Walsh* in view of *Brody*. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection and address the Examiner's disposition below.

Claim 4 has been amended to correct an informality.

Independent claims 1 and 6 have each been amended to clarify that a device layer comprising a plurality of luminescent devices defining pixel units arrayed in a matrix. Each luminescent device has an emitting area that emits independently of the emitting areas of the other luminescent devices.

This is clearly unlike *Walsh* in view of *Brody*, which fails to disclose or suggest a plurality of luminescent devices that each has an emitting area that emits independently of the emitting areas of other luminescent devices. Instead, *Walsh* and *Brody* each relates to a liquid crystal display device having a liquid crystal layer that is common to a plurality of luminescent devices. Since *Walsh's* and *Brody's* liquid crystal layers are common emitting areas for all of their plurality of luminescent devices, *Walsh* and *Brody* fail to disclose or suggest emitting areas that emit independently. Thus, for at least this reason, *Walsh* in view of *Brody* fails to disclose or suggest claims 1 and 6.

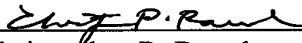
Claims 2-5 and 7 depend directly or indirectly from claim 1 or 6 and are therefore allowable for at least the same reasons that claims 1 and 6 are allowable.

Applicants respectfully submit the rejection has been overcome and request that it be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1-7 are patentable. It is therefore submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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